HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Property Address: **1826 16th Street, NW** Agenda

Landmark/District: 16th Street Historic District X Consent Calendar

X Concept Review

X Alteration

Meeting Date: **January 28, 2010**

20-308

Staff Reviewer: **Steve Callcott**

New Construction

Demolition Subdivision

Owners Alexander Bant and Stetson Nunes seek a two-year extension for a concept approval given by the HPRB for a project reviewed in May 2020. The project involved construction of a two-story rear addition on a three-story contributing rowhouse.

The Board's regulations stipulate that an approval of a conceptual design review application remains in effect for two years from the date of the Board's action. Upon expiration of this period, the applicant may return to the Board with a request for an extension of one additional period of two years for good cause. The Board is not required to reopen the review of the application and shall not unreasonably withhold its approval of an extension (DCMR 10C, 332.1).

The applicants' project has been put on hold due to the COVID-19 emergency and construction supply chain concerns, but they anticipate starting the project in the next year. The basis for the Board's finding that the project is consistent with the purposes of the preservation act and the property's historic context are unchanged. Accordingly, the HPO recommends that the HPRB not reopen the case and grant a two-year extension to the approved concept.

Recommendation

H.P.A. Number:

The HPO recommends that the Review Board not reopen the case and grant a two-year extension to the approved concept.